

*RESOLUTION NUMBER 181*  
*THE BAR ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN ST. LOUIS*

***WHEREAS*, This honorable Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis has been apprised that The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis is one of the presenting sponsors for a networking and empowerment luncheon on October 4, 2007 at The Lawyers Club in St. Louis, Missouri in honor of National Work and Family Month “Powerful Women, Powerful Choices”; and**

***WHEREAS*, The Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (BAMSL) is committed to supporting women in law practice and fully advocates connecting lawyers with resources to help their practice flourish; and a strong supporter of women business owners, and it is in this vein that they are proud to bring Areva Martin, Esq. to the St. Louis area; and**

***WHEREAS*, BAMSL was created in 1874 by some 100 members of the St. Louis bench and bar. BAMSL currently has over 6,000 members and a vast network of committees and sections; and**

***WHEREAS*. BAMSL is also responsible for creation in 1909 of the Legal Aid Society which is now known as Legal Services of Eastern Missouri, Inc. Its purpose is to provide counsel for indigent persons; and**

***WHEREAS*, BAMSL sponsors many events that serve the needs of women. The Women in the Legal Profession Section has a “Dress for Success” program which provides professional suits and dresses for women who want to enter or stay in the work force, and prom attire. It provides scholarships for women law students who qualify, and it sponsors an annual New Admittee Reception for Women who are newly admitted to the Bar; and**

***WHEREAS*, BAMSL fully supports successful women such as Areva D. Martin, Esq. that engage and empower women in business.**

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED* by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis, that we pause in our deliberations to recognize and congratulate the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis for its commitment and support of women business owners and attorneys, and we further direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and prepare a commemorative copy for presentation to our honoree at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.**

**Introduced on the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007 by:  
Honorable April Ford-Griffin, Alderwoman 5th Ward  
Adopted this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007 as attested:**

